

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

JOHN PADILLA,

Plaintiff,

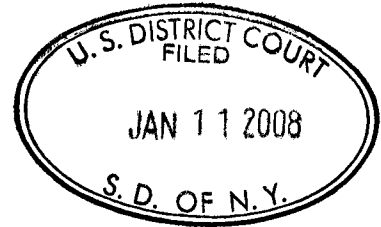
-vs-

Case No: 1:07-cv-03638-PKL

MAERSK LINE, LTD. and/or  
UNITED STATES,

Defendants.

ROBERTA E. ASHKIN (#115461515)  
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**MOTION TO ADMIT COUNSEL PRO HAC VICE**

PURSUANT TO RULE 1.3(c) of the Local Rules of the United States District Court for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York, I, Roberta E. Ashkin, a member in good standing of the bar of this Court, hereby move for an Order allowing the admission pro hac vice of:

Howard M. Cohen  
O'Bryan Baun Cohen Kuebler  
401 S. Old Woodward, Ste. 450  
Birmingham, MI 48009  
(248) 258-6262  
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Howard M. Cohen is a member in good standing of the Bar of the State of Michigan.

There are no pending disciplinary proceedings against Howard M. Cohen.

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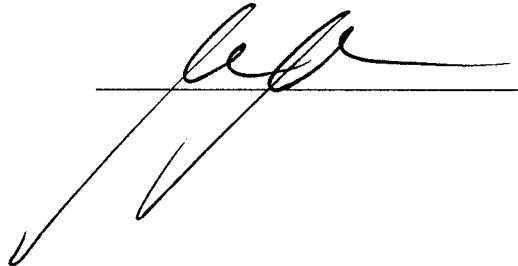
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Dated: January 3, 2008

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned does hereby certify that on the 4 day of Jan., 2008 a copy of the foregoing was forwarded via first class mail with postage fully prepaid thereon to:

John J. Walsh  
Freehill Hogan & Mahar  
80 Pine St.  
New York, NY 10005



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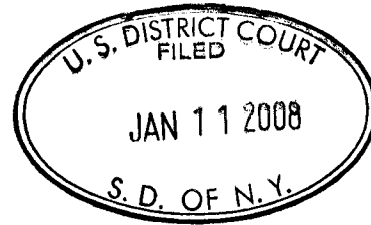
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**AFFIDAVIT OF ROBERTA E. ASHKIN**  
**IN SUPPORT OF MOTION TO ADMIT COUNSEL PRO HAC VICE**

Roberta E. Ashkin, being duly sworn, deposes and says as follows:

1. I am counsel for Plaintiff in the above captioned action. I am familiar with the proceedings in this case. I make this statement based on my personal knowledge of the facts set forth herein and in support of Plaintiff's motion to admit Howard M. Cohen as counsel pro hac vice to represent Plaintiff in this matter.

2. I am a member in good standing of the bar of the State of New York and was admitted to practice law in 1979. I am also admitted to the bar of the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, and am in good standing with this Court.

3. I have known Howard M. Cohen since 2007.

4. Howard M. Cohen is associated with the firm of O'Bryan Baun Cohen Kuebler in

Birmingham, Michigan.


5. I have found Howard M. Cohen to be a skilled attorney and a person of integrity. He is experienced in Federal practice and is familiar with the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

6. Accordingly, I am pleased to move the admission of Howard M. Cohen, pro hac vice.

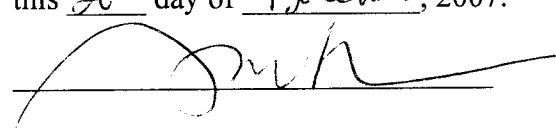
7. I respectfully submit a proposed order granting the admission of Howard M. Cohen, pro hac vice, which is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

WHEREFORE it is respectfully requested that the motion to admit Howard M. Cohen, pro hac vice, to represent Plaintiff in the above captioned matter, be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Roberta E. Ashkin  
SDNY Bar Code: 115461515

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this 20<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2007.

  
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SCOTT A. RUBMAN  
Notary Public, State of New York  
No. 4318174  
Qualified in New York County  
Commission Expires May 31, 2010

**THE SUPREME COURT of the STATE OF MICHIGAN**

I, Corbin R. Davis, Clerk of the Michigan Supreme Court and Custodian of the Roll of Attorneys admitted to the practice of law in this state, do hereby certify that, as appears from the records,

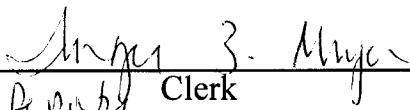
*Howard Michael Cohen*

was admitted to the practice of law in the courts of the State of Michigan on

*May 18, 1988*

and has remained in good standing since then.

In Testimony Whereof, I set my hand and  
affix the seal of the Michigan Supreme  
Court on this date: December 11, 2007

  
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Deputy Clerk

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**ORDER FOR ADMISSION PRO HAC VICE**  
**ON WRITTEN MOTION**

Upon the motion of Robert E. Ashkin, attorney for Plaintiff and said sponsor attorney's affidavit in support;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that

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is admitted to practice pro hac vice as counsel for Plaintiff in the above captioned case in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York. All attorneys appearing before this Court are subject to the Local Rules of this Court, including the Rules governing discipline of attorneys. If this action is assigned to the Electronic Case Filing (ECF) system, counsel shall

immediately apply for an ECF password at [nysd.uscourts.gov](http://nysd.uscourts.gov). Counsel shall forward the pro hac vice fee to the Clerk of the Court.

Dated:

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United States District Judge